

CONGRESS MAY ACT
IN STRIKE CRISISLegislative Action Is Possibility if
President Plans For Settle-
ment Fail.

Washington, Aug. 8.—President Harding has asked congressional leaders, in view of the menacing industrial situation arising from coal and rail strikes, to hold the house, now in recess, continuously in session, along with the senate, after the house reconvenes next Tuesday.

The prospect was that, failing early settlement of the labor controversies, the administration might call for legislative action to enable the government to cope with the situation.

Meanwhile, the leaders of all rail union organizations began to gather in Washington for conference to determine the response to President Harding's latest offer of a settlement basis for the seven railroad unions now on strike, and to determine what action the labor forces shall take in case the president's offer is rejected.

B. M. Jewell, chairman of the group of officers of the striking unions, declared that he had received hundreds of telegrams today from locals of the shop crafts "telling us to reject the president's offer and not a single one asking its acceptance."

Separate conferences between the Southern Railway officials and representatives of the striking shopmen on its lines, broke up finally today when the men declared that only a national settlement of the strike could be accepted by them, even though the railroad conceded seniority rights to returning strikers.

Suggestions were advanced that congress might be asked to authorize resumption of federal control over the railroad systems should President Harding find it impossible to terminate the strike satisfactorily.

Cabinet members considered it likely that the whole situation might be put up to congress in a special presidential message, should prevailing difficulties continue to multiply.

MATCH CAUSES EXPLOSION

The fire department was called to the N. E. Spain & Co., Garage, 205 Broadway, about six o'clock Monday evening to extinguish a fire on the Hubmobile sedan belonging to Tom Moorman of Dallas, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Moorman and two children and Mrs. Chas. Carver of Joplin were in the car when it caught on fire but none of the occupants were injured. They had been to Cassville to visit relatives and were returning home and had stopped at the Spain Garage to get gasoline. While the car was being filled someone threw a lighted match to the ground which caused the explosion. No serious damage was done to the car.

WRECK DEATH LIST

IS REVISED TO 34

St. Louis, Aug. 8.—A revised list of the dead and injured in Saturday night's wreck of Sulphur Springs, made public by the Missouri Pacific this afternoon, placed the number of dead at thirty-four and injured at 151, the majority being only slightly hurt.

The list made public yesterday had the number of dead at thirty-five, but today's statement explains that announcement of the death at DeSoto of "Mrs. Govert, address unknown" was found to be in error.

Want to hear from owner having farm for sale; give particulars and lowest price. John J. Black, Missouri street, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

Mrs. M. E. Crumrine and son Clarence Crumrine, of Kansas City, who are visiting relatives in Monett, spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Crumrine in Springfield.

RAILROAD CLERKS
HELD CONFERENCE

E. B. Waller, president and at the present time acting divisional chairman of the Missouri Pacific brotherhood of railroad clerks was in Springfield Saturday conferring with local clerks of that railroad in regard to taking a ballot to determine whether they will strike against the wage reduction of three to four cents an hour, fixed by the Railroad Labor board, which went into effect July 1. Leaving here Mr. Waller went to Pleasant Hill and will meet with clerks of the division between there and Newport. There are about 75 members of the union on this branch.

The union includes clerks, freight handlers, store room employees, and train callers. D. C. Ashley, who was local chairman of the Missouri Pacific has resigned.

C. A. Patterson, general chairman of the Missouri Pacific board of adjustment, said today about 10 percent of the membership have turned in their votes and that about 90 per cent of the votes are for a strike. The committee, after tabulation of the vote, will report to the national president at Cincinnati, who will decide whether to order a strike.

Under the cut in wages the average for clerks, Patterson says, is \$113.24, and for women clerks, \$95.62. About 30 per cent are women.

Before the strike vote was ordered the members of the union offered to accept two-thirds of the reduction fixed by the Labor board on condition that sick leave and vacation leave and Saturday half holidays, canceled by the road, be restored. The company refused this. Its counter proposal was for the full reduction fixed by the Labor board, with sick leave and vacation leave, but pay to be on a monthly instead of a daily basis, and pay for overtime only on special and not on current work.

There are 6,500 members of the union on the system and about 2,500 in St. Louis.

If the vote is for a strike an attempt will be made to reach a compromise.—Springfield Leader.

TROLLEY STRIKE IN

CHICAGO SETTLED

Chicago, Aug. 7.—Chicago car riders greeted restoration of normal transportation today after six days' experience without cars on the surface and elevated lines. Car men who went on strike last Monday accepted a wage reduction of 10 cents an hour, and retained the 8-hour day, and former working conditions.

The first cars to move since the strike were taken over their routes last night following ratification of the agreement reached by union leaders and company officials.

WRECK DELAYS TRAFFIC

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Aug. 7.—Traffic on the Missouri Pacific was tied up again this morning when a freight train was wrecked at Neeleyville, fifteen miles south of here. No one was injured but twelve cars of lumber were overturned. The cause of the wreck has not been determined.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

AT LIBERTY CHURCH

The Ladies Aid Society of the Liberty church (north of town) will give an ice cream social on the church lawn Friday evening, August 11th. Everybody is cordially invited to attend. A good time is promised. 265

DEMOLAY TO GIVE

STREET DANCE

The Demolay boys will give a street dance at 8:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, August 15. The dance will be given on Broadway between Fourth and Fifth street. Nordin's Orchestra will play.

MONETT LOADS CAR

OF GRAPES

First Carlot Shipment of Grape
Growers' Association Goes to
Pittsburg, Pa.

Monett Grape Growers Association shipped their first carload of grapes since their organization Tuesday of this week. In the car were 3600 baskets. They are shipping through the Ozark Fruit Growers' Association and were unfortunate in selling at a low market. The car was sent to Pittsburg, Pa.

They will begin loading another car of grapes Friday of this week. The growers are asked to cut their grapes Friday morning. They will begin loading the car at 1 o'clock and expect to finish Saturday.

Although the market was a disappointment on the first car, the growers are yet well pleased at making a start in what is bound to be a most important industry at Monett. They shipped the Moore's Early, which is a good table grape. The acreage of this variety around Monett is probably not to exceed thirty acres. Newer vineyards set out are of the Concord variety, which is the favorite of the Welch Grape Juice Company for grape juice. Having the two varieties in the future they will find a market for both table grapes and for canning grapes.

A large acreage was set out this spring and many more will put out vineyards next year. Monett growers find that they can raise as good a variety of this fruit as can be produced in any other part of the United States. It comes at a time of the year when the farmer has time to attend to it and the gathering is much easier and quicker than the gathering of strawberries.

DEMOCRATS PERFECT
COUNTY ORGANIZATION

The Democrats of Barry county met at the Cassville Theatre Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of organizing for this year's campaign.

Walter Sallee, the outgoing chairman, presided at the meeting and W. F. Brite acted as temporary secretary.

In the permanent organization Dr. S. A. Newman was selected as county chairman and will select his own secretary. W. H. Martin was elected county treasurer and Miss Dixie Hobbs vice chairman.

The candidates for county office were present and addressed the meeting.

Those present from Monett were Mr. and Mrs. M. Loutzenhiser, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Farrow, Mrs. J. H. Nothern, Dr. J. M. Russell, D. S. Mayhew, W. F. Brite and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Alsop.

It was made an order of the meeting that the chairman be empowered to select a campaign committee of not less than six and report his selection at the next regular meeting, which will be held August 22.

REPUBLICANS OF BARRY

COUNTY MEET

The Republicans of Barry county held an organization meeting at Cassville Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was held in the court room. S. A. Chapell, the retiring chairman of the county, opened the meeting and appointed N. O. Bassett, of Purdy, temporary chairman, and Floyd Fawver temporary secretary.

In the permanent organization Mr. Bassett was selected as county chairman, Mrs. Jim Lowery, Purdy, secretary, C. W. Williams, treasurer.

The county candidates were present and made speeches and plans were made for the fall campaign.

Those present from Monett were S. A. Chapell, A. W. Thomas, S. D. Shipley, G. W. Finn, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Meador, Miss Bertha Jeffries, Pete Scott, F. A. Cornell and Frank Jackson.

INTERESTED IN GRAPES

A number of Republic business men and farmers interested in grape growing left for Neosho Monday where they will be given practical demonstrations in grape culture by experts at that place.

The grape vineyard industry, which is considered by many growers of the district as the coming industry of the Ozark region, has rapidly gained in favor with residents of many of the smaller towns west of Springfield on the Frisco. Vineyards varying in size from two to ten acres have been set out by several Republic citizens during the past year. Some of the growers express the opinion that grapes may even equal strawberries as an Ozark product.—Springfield Leader.

VEITH-TANLER

Lincoln H. Veith and Miss Fern M. Tanler, both of Mount Vernon, were married at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon by Dr. J. D. Shaddrick, at his residence.

Mr. Veith is a young grocer of Mount Vernon.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. A. Jones reports the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Marshall on Wednesday, August 9th.

BEAUTIFUL WEDDING AT
FREISTATT

A beautiful wedding was solemnized at Freistatt, Sunday, August 6, when at 4 o'clock p. m. the wedding bells rang at the Evangelical Lutheran church for Miss Emily Bernthal, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. Bernthal, and Mr. Martin Kaiser, son of H. R. Kaiser.

As the wedding march was played by Prof. Biderwieden, the ushers, Arnold Bernthal and Arthur Voskamp came marching in; next the bridesmaids, Miss Lillie Elsner, Miss Lydia Oberman and Miss Laura Hesean, together with the groomsmen, Herbert Bernthal, Erhart Kaiser and Albert Brockschmidt, took their respective places along the aisle. Then the maid of honor, Miss Hildegard Bernthal, sister of the bride, and the flower girls, Hermine Biderwieden and Marvin Aufdenbrink, marched forward directly in front of the bride and bridegroom.

The bride was dressed in a snow white Roman crepe and carried a large spray of cut flowers.

The Rev. C. Bernthal, father of the bride, performed the well known Lutheran ceremony. The young people's mixed choir rendered a beautiful song, directed by Prof. Biderwieden. Immediately after the ceremony a reception took place at the residence of the bride's parents. The home was beautifully decorated with hearts hung to streamers of pink and white crepe.

Mr. and Mrs. Kaiser received many beautiful and useful presents. At 6 o'clock a bountiful supper was served. On the table was a large angel food wedding cake, decorated with smilax and carnations.

Immediately after supper a hymn was sung and a collection was taken up for the building of a church at Columbia, Mo.

Games and music were the diversion of the evening. A piano duet was rendered by Rev. A. W. Gode and Prof. Biderwieden and a number of vocal selections by Herbert Bernthal. Great interest was shown in the cutting of a cake, where articles forecasting the future were won.

The out of town guests were Miss Lydia Koenig, of Chicago, Miss Lillian Elsner, of Sweet Springs, Albert Brockschmidt and Erhart Kaiser of Cole Camp; Oscar Miller, Miss Ella, Miss Amanda, Miss Paula and Miss Olga Miller, all of Lockwood, Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Gode, of Sarcocite, Mr. and Mrs. Arno Fritz, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Kaiser, of Monett.

Monday the couple left for Osage City to spend their honeymoon and to visit a brother of the bride, Rev. Otto Bernthal. They expect to locate in Monett, where they will be at home to their many friends after August 15th, at 306 Central avenue.

SETTLEMENT OF COAL

STRIKE IN SIGHT

Cleveland, O., Aug. 7.—Settlement of the nation-wide soft coal strike under a definite plan that may result in the making of agreements on substantially a national basis will be presented to a conference here Wednesday of coal operators who are expected to come from all parts of the country, with officials of the union miners.

In the main, the plan provides for resumption of coal production by union miners under the wage scale when the strike began and the appointment of a committee of inquiry, its personnel to be approved by President Harding. Existence of the plan, which has been approved by some operators, became known here today when union officials and operators controlling about one-third of the output of the central competitive field met both separately and jointly, with a view of taking action toward breaking the coal strike. The joint conference here today adjourned until 3 p. m. Wednesday, by which time it was expected that "other substantial interests" would join in the meeting.

The plan which was understood to have the approval of J. L. Lewis, president of the miners, and A. M. Ogle, president of the National Coal association, may be proposed to Indiana miners at Indianapolis tomorrow.

Mr. Lewis, who refused to alarm or deny the plan, was to be placed before the conference Wednesday, said he was of the opinion that "this week will see the end of the bituminous coal controversy."

The Rialto Theatre will give handsome presents.

The Rialto Theatre management has completed plans for a big drawing at their theatre on Saturday night at the conclusion of the first show, when they will present to the lucky one an order for one dozen handsome photographs, 8 by 10 inches, to be made at the Rumbaugh Studio. In addition to the dozen photographs one enlarged picture, 16 by 20 inches, will be made.

Coupons will be given during the week with each adult ticket.

Miss Bertha Watkins is visiting her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford Watkins, of Springfield.

ENGINEER IS BLAMED
FOR WRECK

Open Verdict Is Reversed When Coroner Objects—Was Reading Orders When the Crash Occurred.

De Soto, Mo., August 7.—Blame for the Missouri Pacific wreck at Sulphur Springs Saturday tonight, which caused death to thirty-five and injury to more than one hundred, was fixed on Engineer Matthew "Ginger" Glenn of fast passenger No. 4, by a coroner's jury which investigated the disaster late today.

The jury at first returned an open verdict, but later reversed its opinion, stating that Glenn, who was killed when he leaped from his cab, had failed to observe signals warning him that the track ahead was not clear.

Members of Crew Testify.

In arriving at the verdict, the jury heard testimony of members of the crew of both trains, which, in effect, was that neither train received orders pertaining to the other. Members of the crew on No. 4 testified no orders had been received that No. 32 was on the track and members of No. 32 declared no orders had been received that No. 4 was behind them.

After the first verdict was returned Coroner George W. Eldors, of Jefferson county objected and the juryman thereupon reversed themselves and returned the following verdict:

"The persons killed in the wreck came to their death through negligence of Engineer Matthew Glenn in failure to obey signals."

Engineer Glenn had received orders "on the run" to pull over on a siding on Cliff Cave, fifteen miles south of St. Louis, to allow the Sunshine special No. 1 to pass and it is believed he was reading these orders when he passed the block signal, warning him of an unclear track.

No. 32, the testimony showed, and the signals were the only means of showing the track was not clear at Sulphur Springs.

James A. Long of this city, conductor of the local, testified they had received no orders to take a siding at Sulphur Springs, adding, "We had no idea No. 4 was so close behind."

Did Not See No. 4.

Long stated he did not see the fast flyer approaching but heard some one yell: "Here comes No. 4," and that he was running to tell the engineer when the crash came. It was testified that the local had not been taking on water at De Soto for several weeks and when asked whether this order had been issued in connection with the strike the witnesses replied they did not know.

The rear-end collision occurred as No. 32 was taking on water at Sulphur Springs and J. Cross, engineer of No. 32, testified he stopped for water, not knowing No. 4 was so close behind.

It was testified that orders had been received several weeks ago, not to take on water at De Soto.

Continuing his testimony, Engineer Gross stated the crash occurred before he had time to put out a flagman.

W. E. Long, fireman of the ill-fated No. 32, and brother of Conductor Long, testified orders had been received for No. 32 to take a siding at Wickes, several miles north, to allow the fast flyer to pass.

J. E. Gragg of St. Louis, conductor of No. 4, declared they had no orders concerning No. 32. He stated they had received their last orders at Riverside, six miles south of where the accident occurred. He added that he was in the door of the baggage car when the crash came and had only time to shout: "We're on No. 32."

R. R. Ragland of De Soto, a signal supervisor for the Missouri Pacific, stated that all of the blocks between Riverside and Sulphur Springs had been inspected by him and found to be in perfect working order at 6:45 p. m. Friday. These signals were the ones which Glenn was said to have gone by without noticing.

The death toll was brought to thirty-five this afternoon with the death of Pearl Goff of Cadet, Mo., a sister to Beulah Goff, who was killed in the wreck and a niece of William Goff, who was injured.

ENJOYS FIVE O'CLOCK PLUNGE
AND BREAKFAST PICNIC

One of the delightful out-door affairs of the week was the party of young women who walked to Bower's pool at five o'clock Thursday morning and enjoyed a swim followed by a picnic breakfast. In the party were Mrs. Charles Wilhelm, Mrs. O. E. Davis, Mrs. Floyd M. Huffman, Mrs. Kenneth Guinney, Mrs. Ralph Saxe and Mrs. Glen Douglas.

SISTER OF WRECK VICTIM
DROPS DEAD AT HER HOME

Haughton, Mo., Aug. 7.—Mrs. Gertrude LaRose, 29 years old, dropped dead yesterday morning when the body of her sister, Irene Moon, 16, of Crystal City, Mo., was brought to her home. Miss Moon was one of the victims of the Missouri Pacific wreck at Sulphur Springs Saturday night.

WHITLOCK LINES

Swat the rooster!

Missouri sold 9,750 carloads of eggs last year, 1,650 carloads had to be thrown away. The loss amounted to \$6,000,000. A staggering price to pay for carelessness of handling. The rooster and irregular gathering are the principal cause of loss. The farmer loses it all in the low price of eggs. SWAT THE ROOSTER.

We have a number of WICHITA BEST marketing bags to give away. By the way our sales of Wichita Best are increasing rapidly. It's great flour.

Another car of Reindeer Meal and Chops this week. Also, fine new prairie and clover hay.

Now is the time to preserve these low priced eggs. A quart can of Pratt's Egg Preserver will preserve 15 dozen eggs. It costs fifty cents. Eggs have been wholesaling at 12 cents this week. They will be worth fifty cents this winter. Figure it out.

Our milk bottles, caps and jars have arrived.

W. J. Reese and Mrs. Donlavy got silverware this week.

We got in a supply of milk jars and crocks this week, also milk bottles, bottle caps and bottle carriers.

We got in a new supply of Whip-poor-will and blackeye cowpeas this week. The supply is limited, better phone us if you expect to get any.

The paint is going fast. Some few persons seem to be a little afraid to buy it, evidently fearing that we don't think it is very good and want to get rid of it. Roger's Paint is absolutely the highest quality. We are selling this out because we do not wish to carry paint any longer.

R. O. Willard, one of our most esteemed customers says that our fly powders sure do the work and are better than any he ever used. He says a few minutes after spraying it into a room every fly is dead. It is just as good for roaches and other insects.

We are thinking of extending our free silverware plan so as to give the entire \$31.75 set on display at our store to the one who holds the lucky number in addition to the original plan of every purchase counting on a piece.

CONKEY'S CACKLE

The 300-egg hen is the product of better poultry methods.

Without selected and balanced feeds, tonics, disinfectants and generally better care Mrs. 300-Egger wouldn't be with us.

But just as better methods have brought the 300-egg hen, so has she in turn shown the world that it can be done and taught everyone to expect more from the feeds and tonics they buy.

Why doesn't every poultry raiser realize this and act accordingly? All of us should know by this time that selling low-grade feeds is like building a house on shifting sands.

Poultry raisers are beginning to know that hens, properly fed, kept in condition with a real tonic and protected from disease with dependable sanitation, will give fully satisfactory returns. They are, therefore, going to give little consideration to dealers and manufacturers who are not striving conscientiously to help them make Biddy come across.

"That sailor over there somehow reminds me of an old hen hovering a bunch of chickens."

"I suppose you naturally mean the one brooding over there by the companionway?"

"O, no; I mean the one sitting on the hatch."

—Judge.

MR. AND MRS. EUGENE
MOODY ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Moody, No. 708 Frisco avenue, entertained the members of the Wentworth band, and a few friends at their home Sunday. Music by the band was much enjoyed. A delicious three course lunch was served. Mrs. Moody was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Fertig, Mrs. Larson, Mrs. Tornquist and Mrs. Benbrook. The guests departed in the evening wishing many happy returns of the day.

Those who enjoyed the event were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fertig and family, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Moore and family Mr. and Mrs. Charles Larson, Mrs. M. F. Chance, Lena and Mary Burnett, of Wentworth; Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Tornquist and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Benbrook and the host and hostess.

One Who Was There. Mrs. B. K. Dowdy and small son, of Foyil, Okla., who have been guests of Dr. and Mrs. B. B. Erickson and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Lee and family, left for their home Wednesday. They were accompanied by Miss Bertha Lee.

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